



THE WESTERN SUN.

VINCENNES, JUNE 29, 1811.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in Kaskaskia, to another in this place, dated, June 15, 1811.

"A few days since a party of six or seven Indians, supposed to be a renegade band of Putawatamies & Kickapoos, came into Goshen settlement and made attack upon a family, and killed one man and took off a young woman prisoner, and stole several horses; they were immediately pursued by a party of white men, six or seven in number and overtaken near the edge of a prairie, and were fired on by the white men, each party three in number, the fire was returned by the Indians, when a general combat ensued, and several fires were exchanged, when one of the white men, capt. Pruett, was wounded in the thigh. The prisoner in endeavouring to escape was wounded in the back by an arrow, and tomahawked on the head, but fortunately escaped, and is thought not to be dangerous. The three men thinking themselves overpowered, retreated, and were pursued by the Indians, until they came back to a part of the party of white men coming on, whose horses were said to be jaded. One of the party having got lost from his companions the same day, found that he was pursued by two Indians, he resolved to out run them at first, but finding it impracticable, determined to risk a fight, halted in a gully, and at the approach of the Indians shot down one, and the other rushing on him, he fortunately dispatched him also.

"The governor has ordered out some scouting parties in that quarter, what the result will be I cannot pretend to say, but I hope the mischief is at an end."

We have the disagreeable task to inform our readers of an unfortunate affair which took place on Monday last at the garrison of fort Knox, captain Thornton Posey shot lieutenant Jesse Jennings dead on the spot; of the causes or circumstances which led to this fatal catastrophe we forbear to comment, as it is probable a judicial investigation will be had, and to give the circumstances as we have had them detailed to us, might prevent that fair investigation and impartial decision so desirable in all cases, and particularly in one of this description.

We understand that the conduct of commodore Rogers in repelling and chastising the attack so causelessly and rashly made on the U. States frigate president by the British ship of war Little Belt, has the approbation of the president of the United States; & that the request of the com

modore for an investigation into his conduct on the occasion has not been acceded to, his known candor and honor precluding any doubt of the correctness of his statement of the circumstances of the affair.— And we assert, that it may confidently be expected by our naval commanders, that, in supporting the dignity of our flag, they will be rewarded with the applause of the American government and nation.

Nat. Int.

State of Commerce in Britain.

We are precluded from the necessity of animadversion, by the nature of the following extracts made from the originals in our possession.

Aurora.

Extract of a letter from Newry, (Ireland) Dec. 13, 1810.

"Liverpool is most wretchedly altered. Nothing in it but distress and bankruptcy — The trade is gone, and the best of people a year ago, are now in the calendar. London is equally bad. Indeed the whole empire seems convulsed to its centre, in the way of trade. Nothing but distress & insolvency with every man who speculated, or did any thing with the north of Europe. Bonaparte's decrees that we were laughing at some time ago, are now ruining this country. No export from these countries to the Baltic or the continent. Our cotton goods and colonial produce, now must remain here a dead burden, and sure destruction to those who hold largely."

From another letter, February 15.

"It is with concern I inform you of the still very depressed state of trade in this country, which appears to get worse and worse. All kinds of American and colonial produce are a complete drug, and no prospect of getting better. Our manufactories are literally idle, and confidence completely destroyed, and the feeling heart sickens to see our industrious operatives, almost in a state of stagnation. God knows how it will end; but even in this situation, our government is, to all appearance, pushing on to destruction, by making every power in the world their enemies."

Extract of a letter from a Parish in Scotland, Feb. 12.

"Trade of all kinds is very bad in this country. A great many of the weavers can get

no work, and indeed those who have work, can scarcely make as much as will keep them in victuals. The merchants are breaking daily, and the banks will not discount any bills, so that trade is at a perfect stand."

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in Liverpool, to his friend in Jeffersonville in this county, dated April 1st, 1811.

"Since my stay here I have travelled through almost all parts of the country, during which time, I, having an opportunity, have collected as much information respecting the present state of England as possible. If I am not mistaken in my ideas, without a change of ministry England is now on the verge of ruin.

"Mr. Pinkney our minister will have arrived before you receive this, and Foster, the minister plenipotentiary for the United States, I believe has left here; but I fear that instead of a Rose, he will be a Thorn, which will inflict a wound in the breast of Americans that will take ages to heal.

"I am doubtful his instructions are not conciliatory, and if so, and a non intercourse should be carried into effect, a war will, in my opinion ensue which will be the rock that England must split on.

"You no doubt have heard of the arrival into existence of an heir to the French crown (a young Napoleon, and also of the successes of the British arms in Spain and Portugal; but I think as soon as Bonaparte has done rocking the cradle, he will take a peep into Spain to teach the British heroes not to boast too much of their advantages. I think there will be a great change in the north of Europe in the course of this summer."

A young lad, 15 years old, son of Mr Jonas Spock, of Elizabethtown, (N. J.) has been pressed on board the British brig Frolic. The worst fate we wish those who assert that 'Britain has done us no essential injury,' is that they may fall into the hands of his majesty's press gang.

Capt. Day, of the ship Ganges, arrived yesterday from Lisbon, which place he left on the 27th April, informs that Lisbon was illuminated the day before he sailed on account of peace between Russia and Great Britain.

News via Halifax & Quoddy has reached Boston that the British had retaliated our non intercourse law, and detained all American vessels and property.

NEW GOODS.

JOHN D HAY.

INFORMS his friends and the public in general, that he has just received, and now opening a general assortment of DRY GOODS & GROCERIES, From Philadelphia and Baltimore, which he will sell unusually low for cash. Vincennes, June 18, 1811.

NOTICE.

I INTEND to apply to the next September court of Common Pleas for the county of Knox, in the Indiana territory, to establish a ferry across the Ohio, from my land to the opposite shore.

James Marrs.

June 4th, 1811.

Society for the encouragement of Agriculture & the Useful Arts.

A STATED meeting of the society will occur on the first Saturday in next month, at P. Jones' Inn, at 12 o'clock—a full meeting of the members is desired, as, at that time premiums ought to be arranged.

By order of the President, B. Parke, Secy.

June 7th, 1811.

NOTICE, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, VINCENNES, June 19, 1811.

ALL those persons who have entered notices of their claims to DONATION rights in the Register's Office, are hereby informed that the Commissioners will sit to receive evidence in support of such claims every Saturday and Wednesday, from the hour of three, to that of seven in the afternoon.

JON BADOLLET, } Commissioners. NATHL. EWING, }

INDIANA TERRITORY } HARRISON COUNTY }

THIS day came William Brown, before me the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace, and made oath, that the certificate he obtained in the Land Office at Vincennes, the 18th of August, 1807, for the north east quarter of section No. 8, in township No. 2 south, of range No. 5 east, containing 171 acres and 22 hundredths, was burned in his house with all other effects that his house contained, subscribed the 23d day of April, 1811.

William Brown. Wm. ERWIN, Justice of the Peace for Harrison county.

ALL persons concerned are hereby required to take notice that in three months from the date hereof, I shall issue to William Brown, a duplicate certificate No. 189, dated August 18, 1807, for the N. E. quarter of section No. 8, in township No. 2 south, of range No. 5 east, unless previous to that time, some legal and sufficient objections are made thereto.

JOHN BADOLLET, Register of the Land Office at Vincennes, June 19, 1811.

LAST NOTICE.

THE subscriber for the last time informs all those indebted to him, that he must be paid by the 1st day of August next, or suits will indiscriminately be commenced—those having demands against him will please call and receive their dues.

Thomas Jones.

June 13, 1811.